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Retreat Set to Build Council Vision, Direct Staff

The City of San Bernardino will host its Mayor and Common Council Retreat on Thursday, March 25 – 27 in the L'Orange Room of the National Orange Show, located at 689 S. E Street. The three day retreat will kick off Thursday at 4 p.m. with a presentation by nationally recognized government relations expert Dr. John Nalbandian, who will explore different forms of government, and offer suggestions on how the City might optimize its form.

The remaining two days of the retreat will be facilitated by Tyler St. Clair who brings in more than 20 years assisting elected or appointed boards and organizations achieve desired results through the use of a governance model and high performance strategies. “The caliber and expertise that both Dr. Nalbandian and St. Clair have lend credibility to what the City plans to achieve during this meeting,” said City Manager Charles McNeely.

The retreat will serve as a working meeting, covering topics ranging from developing a clear vision, developing Mayor and Council goals and operating guidelines, to operational improvement presentations and recommendations from the City Manager regarding the structure of the organization.

On Saturday, March 27 Management Partners, a professional consulting firm that provides a variety of services to governmental organizations throughout North America will provide an update on a study previously conducted on the organization and follow up with recommendations for further improvement. “The first study conducted by Management Partners proved to be both informative and extremely useful as the City laid its initial plans to streamline the organization,” said McNeely. “The follow up will assist the City in determining next steps.”

The agenda for the retreat can be accessed on the City's Web site at www.sbcity.org.

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